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Dear Parent:

As you have indicated a need for financial assistance this summer, please fill out the attached application and return it to the Parks and Recreation Department no later than May 1, 2015. **It is important to understand that you must be enrolled in one of our camps to be eligible for scholarship.**

Included with your scholarship application, please also submit (1) letter from an outside source (i.e., child's teacher, school social worker, guidance counselor, your employer, etc.) indicating the needs for your child to attend a summer camp, (2) a letter from you giving us some insight into the financial constraints facing your family this year, and (3) a copy of your 2014 Federal Income Tax Return and/or AFDC Card. Please make sure that you have registered your child for one of the Newton Parks and Recreation Department summer programs prior to submitting the scholarship application. Scholarships will be given to Newton Residents only.

At this time it seems highly improbable for our Department to totally fund a child's camp experience, even though we would very much like to do so. We make a concerted effort each year to raise funds for campers in need. Our scholarship fund is not large, however, and it is our hope to be able to provide some assistance to all eligible applicants. All scholarship decisions will be made on the basis of need, as set out in the Community Development Guidelines for Low and Moderate Income Families (attached). **(Guidelines are subject to change)**

Although our resources are limited, we would be receptive to setting up a payment plan for families, so that they may pay the balance of camp tuition over the course of the camp experience. Please let us know if a payment plan would be suitable to your needs.

We anticipate making funding decisions by early - June, 2015. You will be notified by phone and mail of the decision of the Scholarship Committee relative to your request. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Newton Parks and Recreation Department, 617-796-1500

Sincerely,

Channon Ames, Judy Dore, Mark Kelly, Stephanie Lapham, Jeff Bodner & Ricky Paglia

Newton Parks and Recreation Department Managers and Camp Coordinators

Encl.



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Summer Camp Scholarship Application

___Acres in the Falls ___Albemarle Acres ___Auburndale Station ___Camp Echo Bridge
___Centre Acres ___CIT Program ___Funtastic Summer Vac. ___Kids Korner ___Vac. @ Burr Park
___Outdoor Adventure ___Thunder Cat Sports ___T-Ville Trails ___Extreme Outdoor Adv.
___Brunen Brook ___Canoe or Eco Explorers ___Newton Adventure Program ___The Next Stop

Camper Name: _____ **Age:** _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Total Number of Persons in Family _____
2014 Total Yearly Income (taxable income - Federal Income Tax Form) \$ _____
Camper is Registered for _____ weeks at a Newton Parks & Recreation
Department Summer Camp or Program
Parks and Recreation Department Scholarship Amount Requested \$ _____
How much money are you able to pay for your child's participation? \$ _____

Have you applied for camp funding from other sources? ___yes ___no
If yes, list the names of the organizations applied to: _____

How much funding did you request from each organization? _____
Have you received funding from any of these sources? ___yes ___no
If yes, how much? \$ _____

Have you received a Camp Scholarship from the Newton Parks and Recreation Department in previous summers? ___yes ___no
If yes, what year(s) were you awarded a scholarship? _____

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Approved _____ Disapproved _____ (why) _____
Total Funding Amount Given: \$ _____ CDBG: \$ _____ Rec.: \$ _____
Total fees due for camp enrollment: \$ _____
Less Scholarship Amount: \$ _____
Parent Balance: \$ _____
Scholarship Accepted by Family ___ Scholarship Not Accepted by Family ___

Please Note: You must submit a copy of your 2014 Federal Income Tax Return and/or AFDC Card with this application to be considered for a scholarship!

City of Newton
Housing and Community Development Program

***Community Development Block Grant
Service Eligibility Income Limits***

Effective July 1, 2014

Projects funded by the City of Newton CDBG Program can assist people in Newton whose household income is within the following limits, effective July 1, 2014 and until new limits are issued in 2015.

In addition, adults with disabilities, survivors of domestic violence, homeless people, abused children, people with AIDS, people who are illiterate, and elders are presumed to be eligible for services.

Number in Family	30% of Area Median Income	50% of Area Median Income	80% of Median Income*
1	\$19,800	\$32,950	\$47,450
2	\$22,600	\$37,650	\$54,200
3	\$25,450	\$42,350	\$61,000
4	\$28,250	\$47,050	\$67,750
5	\$30,550	\$50,850	\$73,200
6	\$32,800	\$54,600	\$78,600
7	\$36,030	\$58,350	\$84,050
8 or more	\$40,090	\$62,150	\$89,450

*Newton's median income for a family of 4 is \$94,100. However, the 80% of Median Income is capped by the U.S. Family Median income level. Data was taken from the 2010 American Community Survey.